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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

In response to the final Office Action mailed February 21, 2001, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend Claims 1, 12, 14, and 25 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A connector for a first information transmitting cable, the first information transmitting cable having an outer surface, an interior end, an exterior end, and a central conductor portion, the connector comprising:

a first conduit having open ends, ^{one of the} either open end of the first conduit adapted to receive the interior end of the first information transmitting cable, the first conduit including a hollow interior to permit the passage of a fluid having a viscosity of less than or equal to 1000 centipoise therethrough, wherein the first conduit forming a fluid tight seal between the first conduit and a portion of the first information transmitting cable, wherein the fluid tight seal can hold at least 30 psig of internal pressure; and

(a second conduit having open ends, the second conduit encasing the first conduit to seal the first conduit within the second conduit.)

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